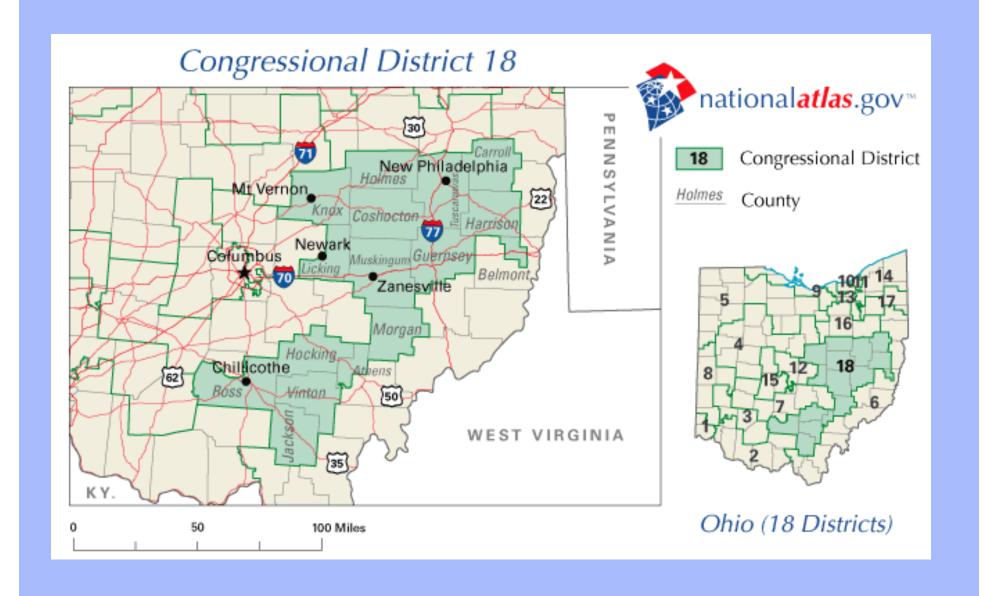


# Congressman Zack Space

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### The RENEW OHIO Report

- REalizing a New Economic Way for Ohio's 18<sup>th</sup> Congressional District
- Long-term Blueprint for Economic Growth in OH-18
- Four Key Areas:
  - Broadband
  - Health Care
  - Agriculture
  - Advanced Energy

### Broadband

- According to Connect Ohio, a 7% increase in broadband adoption across Ohio could result in:
  - More jobs: An additional 96,000 jobs per year created or saved (including approximately 6,000 in OH-18)
  - Reduced health care costs: \$25.4 million saved annually with \$1.9 million saved in OH-18
  - Fewer miles driven by Ohioans: Would provide savings of \$248 million per year (\$22 million a year in OH-18)
  - Better access to goods and services

### Health Care

- Since 1950, the percentage of the population 65 and older has grown from 8.1% in 1950 to 12.4% in 2000
- The aging of "baby boomers" is expected to accelerate this growth, projecting 17.9% by 2025 and 20.2% by 2050
- Between 1976 and 2006, the number of workers in the health care sector grew from 277,500 to 633,000 (an increase of 228%)
  - This number is expected to continue to rise.

### Agriculture

- Agriculture in OH-18
  - 17,132 Farm Operators with 11,276 Farms
  - 1,734,658 acres of farmland
  - Average size of farm: 154 acres
- With the right investments and agricultural policies, our farms will be able to stay in business and continue to thrive.

## Advanced Energy

- Weatherization and Energy Efficiency
  - Consumer incentives for efficient energy practices
  - JELD-WEN plant in Mount Vernon, which manufactures energy-efficient windows and doors
  - Owens Corning Plant in Newark, which is one of the premier producers of attic insulation

#### FIGHTING TO RENEW OHIO

- Phase 2 of the RENEW Ohio Project
- Highlight local businesses that are using innovation to create jobs on Main Street
- Examine our successes and manifestations of RENEW Ohio and use them as a model for others
- Show Ohioans exactly what they can do to help build up our region and bolster our local economy.

### FIGHTING TO RENEW OHIO

First Event:

Adena Health Care Systems – PACCAR Medical Education Center